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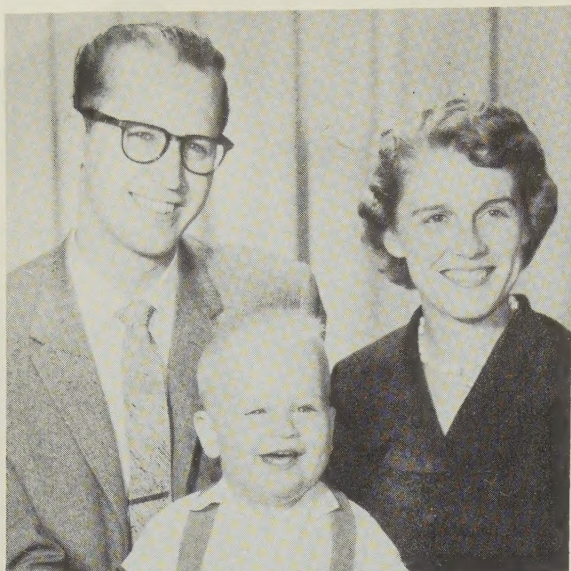
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WMC President Goldia Anderson weaving baskets exemplifies the varied program of the successful 1957 WMC RETREAT: Prayer, worship, fellowship, Bible study, Inspirational preaching, "How-to-do-it sessions," and CRAFTWORK.

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*The
Lewis Wilson
Family*

Missionary appointees Lewis and Lenore Wilson and their son Lewis Jr. The Wilsons have received appointment to our South African mission field and Brother Wilson is to become the Dean of the South African Bible Training School. For the past three years, Brother Wilson has served as an instructor and Dean of Men at Bethany Bible College. He also has ministered as pastor of Bethany Park Church. The Wilsons are currently concluding their itineration in the Capitol Section and they will be entering the Central San Joaquin Section about the second week of July.

News of our District

MISSIONARIES

by Margaret Bond

Brother and Sister PAUL WRIGHT have completed their itineration of our district and have started to the east coast where they expect to sail from New York in July and will probably arrive in Nyasaland, Africa, in mid-August. Their many friends in our district join us in wishing them "God-Speed".

The Contra Costa Section has recently been enjoying the ministry of Brother ARTHUR LINDVALL. The Lindvalls recently participated in a great missionary convention with

Brother Jeffrey in San Jose. After camp meeting Brother Lindvall will be itinerating through the Shasta Section.

Brother PAUL COOPER will be itinerating in the East Bay Section the latter part of July. He has excellent pictures of his work in Honduras.

Plans are being made for great missionary services at the camp meetings. Missionary day at Bethany Park will be July 14, Mt. Lassen — July 6, and Redwood — July 28.

WHO'S NEW?

Congratulations to Paul and Helen Riley of Wasilla, Alaska, who have a new daughter, Wanda Lee, who arrived May 28, 1957. The Rileys report that they will be engaging in a church building program this summer.

CLASSIFIED ADS

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BUSES — Gillig Brothers, P.O. Box 330, Hayward, California, have a stock of used buses and would be interested in inquiries from our churches.

FOR SALE — Cottage at Bethany Park. Three rooms furnished. Price surprisingly low. Call at 135 Valley Way, Bethany Park.

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FOR SALE — Library of Bible felt scenes. All new condition, oil-painted, some with black light effects. Forty percent discount. Also black light (\$20.00), rotochrome spotlight (\$25.00), and roll away tubing easel (\$15.00). Lela P. Dickman, 12542 Twintree Lane, Garden Grove, California.

WEDDING BELLS

June weddings of special interest to our readers included the following:

Louise Bond and Jack Booze, June 14, at Bethany Park.

Dorothy Huffaker and Tony Gonzales, June 14, Bethel Temple, Sacramento.

Lois Fowler and Everett Wilson, June 15, at Roseville.

Vereta Hardy and Cleon Young, June 15, at Covina.

Claudetta Snyder and David Nietz, June 22, at Chico.

We wish heaven's blessings upon each of these couples and pray that every happiness may be their portion.

Man's Power and God's

by Werner Honsalek

THE power of God is meant for us — poured out by God from heaven upon the children of men. Today men talk much of energy and power. We have come a long way from the dream of Greek Philosophy and of Medieval Alchemy — it has also been a long time from the gun-powder, re-discovered by a monk in a cloister, until the TNT and the Nitroglycerine of the Swedish dynamite manufacturer Nobel. Yet in this twentieth century men are seeking continually after more power — and as if by chance the learned Fermi and Einstein looked behind the curtain of matter and the atom.

Two decades later a B-29 Bomber flew over the Japanese city of Hiroshima. Hitler-Germany had been smashed and the year of 1945 was supposed to inaugurate world-peace. On board was the deadliest weapon that human brains had invented. The lives of 40,000 Japanese, men, women and children hung on a mere thread. As the yellow release-lever was pulled, as the death-bringing

bomb shaft was opened — then, was a new epoch born: The age of the Apocalypse. We read in the Holy Scriptures: "... and there went out another horse and that was red, and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another. . ."

... And seconds later a small bomb sailed down on a parachute — then a yellowish flash of fire, a mushroom of smoke which shot into the upper atmosphere — and 40,000 burned and twisted bodies on the earth. This is the power of man. Today and men are working on greater bombs, soon guided missiles with their deadly super-charges will fall upon other continents. Peace is taken from the earth.

All that have men made possible. What progress! they say. One should rather say: What a devilish work! When man is inspired by Satan, then

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he uses all energy and power which he possibly can for destruction. The principle is the same. Cain killed his brother Abel with a club; today men have learned to murder 40,000 at once with one bomb. That is the power of men.

In the Holy Scriptures we read of another power. The power of God. God never sends His power to destroy, but to construct. Not for destruction, but for construction. God wants to give His children His power, that we also, together with God, can build up. What kind of power is that, which God put at our disposal?

It is His eternal Word. In the beginning God created heaven and earth through His Word. He spoke and it was, He commanded and it came to pass. His Word has never changed. Heaven and earth may pass away, but His Word is always the same. In God's Word lies an unspeakable power and authority — an energy — that is a thousand times great than atomic energy. A power that never destroys, but only saves. Jesus said to His

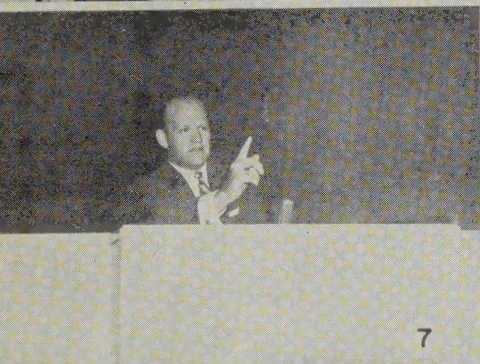
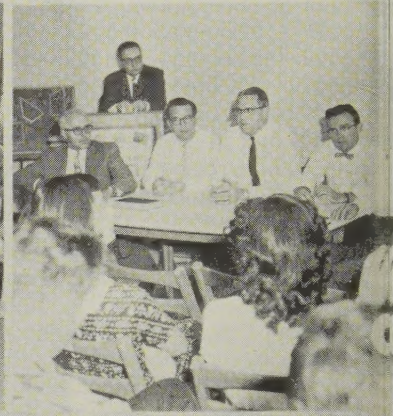
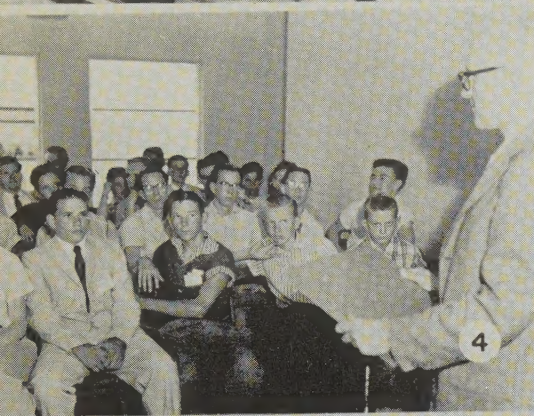
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OUR DISTRICT W.M.C. PROGRAM IS ON THE MARCH! Our cover picture subject is Sister Goldia Anderson, District WMC President, as she appeared at the recent WMC Retreat during the basket-weaving handicraft session. The Retreat, held at Bethany Park, June 16 to 21, was a new venture for the WMC, and just one more activity in the ever-expanding program in this department. Commented Sister Anderson concerning the Retreats "It was very successful. Actually the results were beyond my fondest dreams. The number of those attending, particularly those who stayed in the dormitory, was not large, but the good

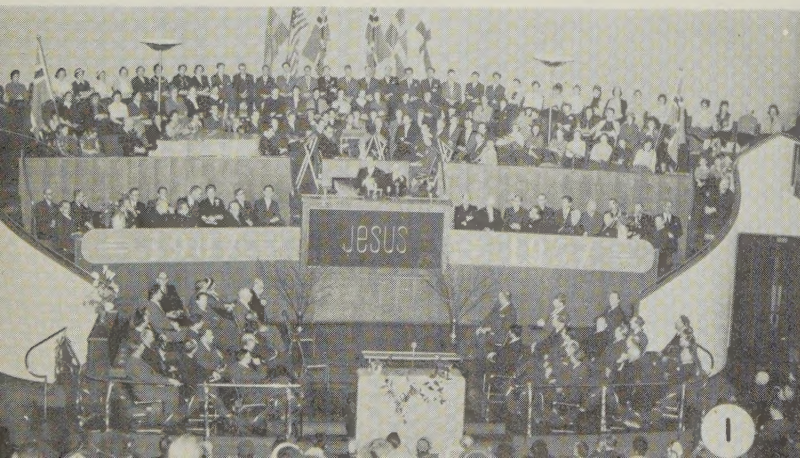
done and the expressions of appreciation were all most satisfactory." Included in the program of the Retreat were: morning prayer meetings conducted by Velma Argue, leadership classes conducted by Sister Anderson and Sister Ferne Murray, inspiration services at which the wives of the District officials were the speakers, and an evening program with visiting missionaries. The pictures above are: 1) ladies in a craft class listening to Sister Anderson, 2) Sister Anderson as she spoke 3) another view of the same group, and 4) Ladies in the plastercraft class gaining practical experience. A total of about 75 ladies attended the Retreat,

and with modifications it is planned as an annual event. An interesting outcome of the meetings was that 2 of the ladies received the Baptism during the devotional time of the last morning.



SCENES FROM HAYWARD'S YOUTH CONGRESS. A Tuesday, June 18, a group of 5 churches gathered their C.A.'s for an all-day rally which was billed as a "Youth Congress." The meeting place was Hayward's Bethel. The story of the Congress is told in pictures. 1) The registration desk. Some 91 C.A.'s were present for the day sessions and about 300 in the evening. 2) The congress opened with brief addresses by 4 pastors: E. R. Scratch, F. W. Buntain, O. L. Foth, and T. K. Jeffrey. They spoke on "How to be Successful via the mind, soul, body, and emotions." Each speaker limited himself to one of the topics. The first speaker is shown in the picture. 3) After the opening addresses, Rev. Dick Fulmer, National C.A. Secretary and former Dis-

trict C.A. President, brought an inspirational message. 4) After 30 minute film, the boys and girls separated for special lectures. The boys' group was addressed by Brother Scratch. 5) The girls enjoyed the ministry of Gwen Foth. 6) The "Inspiration Please" panel that followed was moderated by Elmer Bueno (standing) and included (seated l. to r.): Brothers Scratch, Swanson, Foth, Buntain, and Fulmer. The C.A.'s had turned in questions and it was with these that the panel dealt. 7) The evening rally featured a volunteer choir of 50 voices and the ministry of Dick Fulmer. Without question the Congress was of abiding blessing and value, and is surely a program that other church communities could likewise provide.



Round-the-World Evangelist Don Sheley advises:

Watch Your Pocketbook

A report of conditions in international evangelism

IT HAS BEEN OUR PRIVILEGE FOR THE last year to travel from country to country and from mission project to mission project, observing first hand the missionary program of the Assemblies of God. Our hearts have been thrilled as we have beheld the great work our movement is doing around the face of the globe. Countless thousands have been transformed by the power of God through the efforts of our faithful missionaries. There swells within our breast a justifiable pride that we belong to an organization that moves forward, motivated by the power of Pentecost.

We have marveled at the tremendous job that Speed-the-Light is doing on every mission field. It has been our pleasure to be transported from village to bario, preaching the simple Gospel of Jesus Christ, in a vehicle made possible by "sacrificed milkshakes" from the young people of our fellowship. The loud speaker, the generator, the jeep and the station-wagon were all purchased with funds obtained from the Christ Ambassadors of America. Only eternity will show the result of this great project!

But there stirs within our soul, a commotion of mixed emotion! Mingled with all this joy is a great burden for the needs that exist upon every field where our missionaries are endeavoring to bring lost humanity to the foot of Calvary's cross. Still ringing in our ears are the heartbreaking stories which every missionary has experienced.

"Oh, if we only had enough finances to buy a piece of property, we could double our work in three months." "If we could afford it, we could enlarge our present building so that many more could hear this wonderful gospel." "If there were more missionary funds, we could start many more outstations." And on and on, we

could list the urgent needs with which many of our missionaries are faced.

Then I say to myself . . . "Why does this have to be?" "Our God promised to supply all of our needs, and surely the Lord knows these are urgent needs!" "Why is it there is always a lack of funds for our missionary program?"

Let me answer these questions. God has promised that if we would be faithful to him, he would never leave us nor forsake us. Therefore, I am confident that we are found wanting because we are not faithful to the essential commands of God.

God has declared that we should bring "all the tithes into the storehouse." I am afraid that many of the Pentecostal people have forgotten the definition of storehouse. God did not say that the favorite radio broadcast was the "storehouse". He did not declare that every popular evangelist was the "storehouse". Just because he might be God's man for the hour does not classify him as God's "storehouse". Grant you, these may be all proper and good, but God's Word remains unchangeable. He has promised that we would bring all the

tithes, not just a portion, but ALL the tithes into the storehouse, he would pour out his blessings upon us so that we could not contain ourselves. I am convinced that if every Assembly of God church member would do as God has commanded, there would never be a need that could not be met, either in the local assembly or in the national organization.

Giving that is done in accordance not with the Bible, but in accordance with our own desires and wishes, is unscriptural giving. God will not and God cannot fulfill his promise unto us when we deliberately give of our tithes and offerings in an unscriptural manner!

It is time we start watching our pocketbooks! The world today is filled with men who are getting rich by obtaining sacrificed funds from sincere and honest people. With tear-jerking stories, they are loosening the pocketbook strings of many of our tenderhearted Christians. But when they are gone, no more is ever heard of their world-shaking project.

Let us know for what we are giving our money. It is time to scrutinize
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Mission to Europe

NOEL WILSON as he was preparing to leave Bethany Park for the San Francisco airport. His destination: Switzerland. Brother Wilson has since arrived safely and has reported back a gratifying ministry in: Switzerland, Germany (Berlin) and Austria. He is spending the summer in Europe as an evangelist and assistant to Richard and Carola Ruff. Since Brother Wilson is an accomplished musician he is especially competent to fulfill this ministry. He plans to return to Bethany Bible College in the fall in order to complete his third year.

From F. A. and Inez Sturgeon come these two interesting pictures of the Norwegian Pentecostal Jubilee. 1) The platform, choir loft, and orchestra as it appeared in one of the great rallies in connection with these special services. The Sturgeons are among the group on the platform, and at this particular meeting, Sister Sturgeon was the speaker. 2) Brother Sturgeon speaking with the

help of an interpreter. At these services the Sturgeons represented the United States. Pentecost's message was brought to Norway by Brother T. B. Barrett, and that it was through his ministry that the well-known Lewi Pethrus of Stockholm came into the Pentecostal light. The Pentecostal church of Norway is second only to the State church.

CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS



The D-CAP COMMENTS

A message by Walt Boring

During a time of self examination, the Psalmist David said, "I thought on my ways and turned my feet unto they testimonies". What a challenge it is to follow this example of a great man and probe into the secret places of our own hearts in order to *consider our ways*. Isn't it strange that nothing is so jealously guarded by most of us than our own way of life. We all like what we like, do what we like when possible and give little thought to the effect of our way of life upon the lives of others. If we can meet the challenge of David and examine our own hearts, we will learn that we are possibly neglecting two great areas of service that need our immediate attention.

The first of these needs we will find right at home, all around us, everywhere, easily discerned by the spiritually-alert Christ Ambassador. The need is none other than our service to others. There seems to be something that stops most of us from living an active life of service and it is probably the idea that the only worthwhile service to God is to get unsaved young people out to C.A. meetings. Without minimizing the importance of this service, let's think of another area of service that is available to us all. *We can be faithful*. This requires no talent and every C.A. president knows that his whole program rises or falls according to the faithfulness of the C.A.'s in his group. *We can be available*. Next to faithfulness, making yourself available to your C.A. president for whatever he needs you to do is most important. Never fear, he will not ask you to do anything that he knows you cannot do. Just simply be there and be available for service.

Now, need number two requires the lifting of your head high enough to scan the far off horizons of a world that you may never see. The area of your service is our vast youth missionary program called "SPEED-

THE-LIGHT". How deeply you will have to probe into your way of life before you can do anything constructive in Speed the Light is entirely up to you. To be effective in this missionary effort you must be willing to sacrifice much of your present way of living. C. A., Speed-the-Light takes money. All of our glamorizing of this wonderful service is to no avail if all of us are not willing to lay aside some of our comforts, pleasures and non-essentials and readily give on a regular, substantial basis. The missionary that we are helping is giving on a regular basis. He is out there on that mission field every hot, sweltering, miserable day, giving of his time, life and strength to bring others to the light of the gospel. We can do no less.

What did the Psalmist say? "I *thought on my ways and turned my feet unto thy testimonies*". Now, with him, we have thought briefly on "*our ways*", let's go all the way and "*turn our feet*" the direction God would have us to go.

FALL CONVENTION PREVIEW

It seems strange to be thinking of Fall Convention so early in the year, but time goes by so fast that we feel some preview information will be interesting and helpful. The place is Bethel Temple, Sacramento, California. This wonderful church has been the host to conventions in the past and we all know that they will be going all out to make this 1957 convention one to remember. The dates are November 29, 30. Be sure to put this information down in your little black book. We already know who the speaker is going to be but we are not going to give that information out yet since we want to introduce him in a

Attention . . . C. A. President

HAVE YOU sent in your name and address to Rev. Joseph Gerhart, P.O. Box 961, Santa Cruz, yet? We are making up a mailing list of all C.A. presidents so that we can send material directly to you from time to time, so please send your name and address today.

HAVE YOU lined up the talent in your group for the TEEN-AGE-TALENT CONTEST that is now being held all over the district? Time is getting away and it is time for you to do this at once.

HAVE YOU checked with your Treasurer this month to make sure that your 300 CLUB money has been sent in? You should do this each month to keep your groups record up to date.

HAVE YOU ever wondered who will do the things listed above if you fail to do them? Well, let's face it, no one will and you will not have the wonderful satisfaction that comes with a job well done.

HAVE YOU ever wondered what your D-CAP thinks of your efforts? He is convinced that the Northern California and Nevada C.A. presidents are the best in the country. He is more than proud to be associated with them.

For C. A. Supplies write to
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216 N. Stanislaus,
Stockton, California

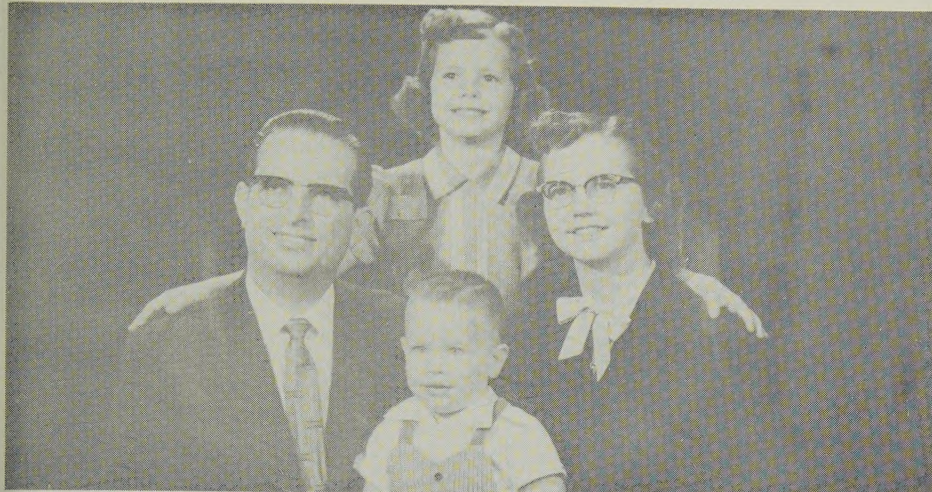
major Convention Bulletin. We will say that you will be delighted and surprised when you find out his name.

There will be some wonderful features this year. There will be the exciting Teen-Age-Talent Contest that has become an outstanding part of our conventions. There will be an exciting Speed-The-Light rally. In addition to all this there will be a giant choir extravaganza that will thrill everyone. Plan now to attend. Arrange for whole groups to come from your church. This can be an exciting event for everyone if we all cooperate together.

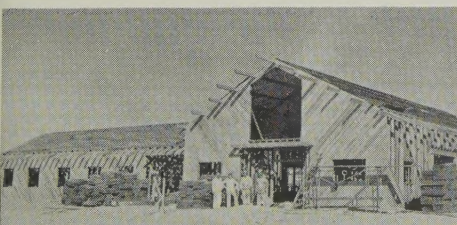
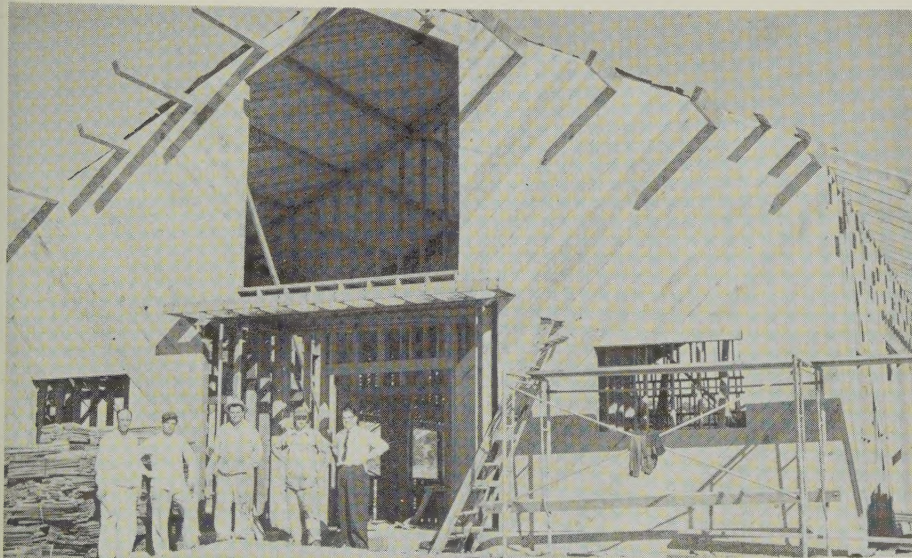
C. A. CAMPS: July 8-13, Redwood; July 15-20, Santa Cruz No. 1 (13-35); July 22-27, Mt. Lassen; July 28 - August 3, Meteor Ranch; August 5 - 10, Santa Cruz No. 2 (13, 14.)

DISTRICT COUNCIL

Our New Northern Pastor



Pastor William Vickery, his wife Ernestine, their daughter Martha Susan, and their son Loren Ray. Both Brother and Sister Vickery play instruments, (guitar and accordeon) and the family sings together. Brother Vickery reports his background as follows: "After recognizing the call to preach, we began to launch out from our home church, Bethel Temple, Dallas, Texas; where I had been a part of the Radio Staff for a number of years. After better than one year of week-end speaking engagements and brief revivals, we proceeded into full-time evangelistic work. Our evangelistic efforts led us to California in 1950. Our chief work in this District has been four years as pastor at Walnut Creek, and one and a half years as pastor at San Rafael. During these years we have also evangelized from time to time, taught Worker's Training Courses, and taken part in the Boys and Girls Camps."



R. A. Wilson Sr. Reports on Our C.E.F. Northland Church

William Vickery has been unanimously chosen by the Home Missions Committee to pastor the C.E.F. church in Northland. Brother Vickery has had an active part in planning this church from the beginning. Continuing present progress, the building will be dedicated in September. Until this time, the new pastor will be itinerating throughout the district in the interest of the Northland church. Pastors who are able to open their churches for a service by Brother Vickery, will be appreciated.

We had expected to make another C.E.F. call by this time. This has been postponed due to a delay in obtaining a use permit for building in a proposed location. However we hope to launch this new project in the near future.

W - E DAY

August 18 has been chosen by the Foreign Missions Department as World Evangelism Day. Northern California and Nevada District will be co-operating with other districts in taking offerings for church buildings overseas. W-E Day advertising packets have been sent direct from Springfield. This packet includes a poster, advertising material, an offering blank and an envelope addressed to your district missionary secretary R. A. Wilson, Box 961, Santa Cruz, California.

Immediately after W-E Day, each church is to send their report and offering direct to your missionary secretary who, in return, will take the combined reports to the General Council.

One of the highlights of General Council is Foreign Missions Day and the missionary parade in which all missionaries on furlough participate. Following this each district will report their W-E Day offering.

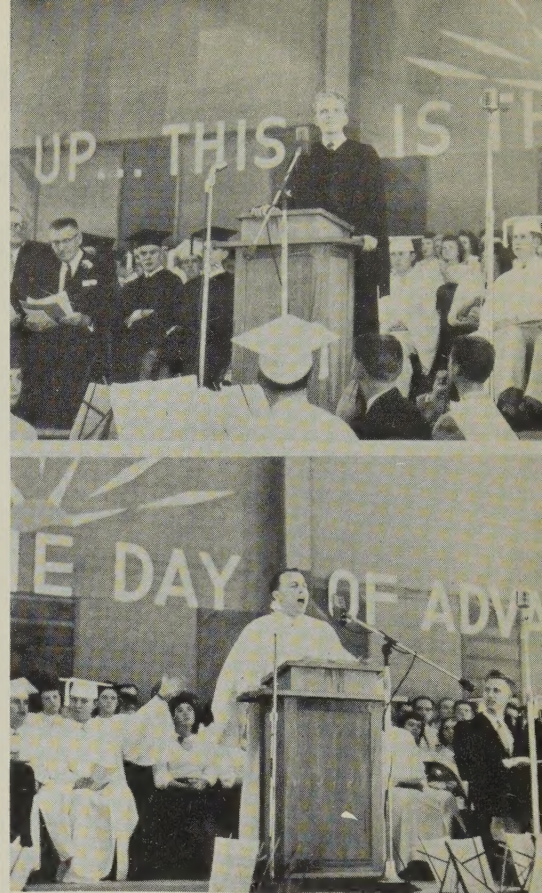
We are looking for your co-operation to make this report the best in our fellowship.

About a month ago the new Northland Assembly of God was at this stage of construction. In the picture above are builders and committeemen (l. to r.) L. R. Anderson, William Vickery, C. E. Waller, Paul Nielsen, and M. H. Heicksen. Below are two additional views of the structure as it appeared at that time. The progress is continuing encouragingly so that by the time *Glad Tidings* is distributed, the building will be much more advanced than as here pictured.



Bethany Bible College, Class of '57





The Bethany Bible College Class of '57 constituted 38 splendid young people. The group was evenly divided to make 19 fourth year A. B. graduates and 19 third year diploma graduates. Fourth year graduates were (l. to r. top row): Paul Bell, Kenneth Bruzelius, Gene Decker, Vereta Hardy, Marjorie Helman, Samuel Kern, Leroy Lebeck, Bruce Manning, Glenn Matson, Milo Netzler, John Pettigrew, Phyllis Pratt, Truon Rogers (l. to r. middle row): Mary Shankle, Claudetta Snyder, William Taylor, Mary Ann Thomas, Lynn Wickstrom, and Jene Wilson. The Third Year Graduates were (middle row, continued): Charles Baldwin, Jack Booze, Daniel

Bruzilius, Dwight Burchett, Garland Capps, Gerald Dolan, Donald Hill, David Hood, Robert Leen, Edwin Loftin, James Macauley, Ruth Marshall, Donna Paasch, Warren Parker, Harvey Rainwater, Donna Rizer, Aubrey Roberts, Charley Robinson, and Delores Storey. The large picture to the left is a scene in the Beulah Park Auditorium during a choir number in the course of the graduation ceremonies. The two insert photos above are: (upper) fourth year speaker Leroy Lebeck delivering his address: "Facing the Challenge Courageously, (lower) third year speaker Dave Hood bringing his message "Pentecostal Glory."

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disciples: "I am not come to destroy, but to heal and to build up."

Have we already experienced the Word of God in such a powerful manner? Has it already worked wonders in our life? He sent His Word and healed them — we read in the Scriptures. What an offer, what an invitation from God for us. Everyone should reach out, when God has something free to offer. You need to pay nothing. The only requirement which God asks in order to present you with His power, is faith. Whoever wants to come to God, must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him. For without faith it is impossible to please God.

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YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN:

As you make your life's plans we invite you to consider Bible College. Bethany Bible College offers majors in: Bible, Theology, Christian Education, Sacred Music, and Missions.

FALL SEMESTER REGISTRATION

SEPTEMBER 3, 1957

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President

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Concord Assembly S. S. Staff



The very fine Sunday School Staff of the Concord Assembly. Pictured are (front row, l. to r.): Mrs. Virginia Romines, Intermediate girls; Mrs. Betty Goodman, Beginner boys; Mrs. Edith Van Horn, Nursery; Mrs. Cora Shaffer, Sunday School Secretary; Mrs. Louise Womack, Beginners; Mrs. Frances Sherwood, Primary Superintendent; Mrs. Elsie Sanders, Junior girls; Mrs. Helen Stone Packard, Musical Director; Mrs. R. A. Work; Mrs. Geraldine Work, Beginner girls. (Back row, l. to r.): Mrs. Rena Irby, Hi-primary girls; Rev. R. A. Work, pastor; Frank Stone, 84-year-old founder of the Church; J. P. Jones, Young Adult Class; Alfred Paul, trustee and Primary Boys; Leslie I. Sherwood, Trustee, treasurer and Adult Bible; Doyle Hester; John Sanders, trustee, secretary and Junior Boys; Clyde Romines, low Junior Boys; Fred Work, Asst. Sunday School Superintendent; Dick Mead; Don Burton, Superintendent Sunday School staff not pictured are Mrs. Christie Barnes, Primary Girls; Mrs. Jennie Smith, Junior Dept. Superintendent; Mrs. Julia Millsap, primary Dept. pianist; Mrs. LaDell Dake, enrollment Secretary; Mrs. E. Fox, High School; Geno Delnista, Intermediate Boys. —Geno Delnista Photo.

IT WORKS!

Sunday School workers everywhere want their schools to increase in quality, in numbers, and in favor with God. Many things may help toward that end, but there are five steps — which if followed persistently and consistently — will lead to a bigger, better, finer Sunday School.

1. The first step is a census of the community and of the church. This is the foundation for the work that must follow. Information obtained from the two census programs will supply an abundance of prospects.

2. The second step must be the formation of new classes to take care of the new pupils. Visitors will be more likely to return if we do not offer them crowded classrooms.

3 and 4. New classes call for two things — provision of space for the new classrooms, and the training of teachers to care for the pupils.

5. The fifth step is visitation, for the winning and enlisting of prospects. This step must be followed consistently, or the first four will have been in vain. Having gone this far, you dare not turn back!

Success WILL come to the Sunday School whose workers follow these five steps. It works!

REMEMBER WHEN PLANNING..

- It should inspire worship
 - It should give instruction
 - You must be careful not to comment on the lesson — for it is the teacher's territory
 - It gives the visitor his first impression
 - It can be the cure for tardiness
- THE OPENING SERVICE IS IMPORTANT.

THE LORD IS WAITING . . . FOR THE HARVEST TO BE GATHERED!

The fields are ripe; many in our district and our communities are ready to respond to a personal invitation to Sunday School and church. It takes a united effort to reach out into those homes. That's the reason for the Enlargement Campaign during the month of October. The greater number there are who take part in a concentrated effort of visitation, the larger will be the territory that may be covered, and the more grain will be garnered.

"To the Harvest," the theme for this year's campaign, is to spearhead the month's activities of preparing the soil, sowing the Word, and then on the last Sunday of the month, gathering in the



grain at a special Harvest-Time Rally.

All over the nation Assemblies of God Sunday Schools will join in the united task. The first Sunday after-

noon, October 6, will be spent in taking a community census, preparing the SOIL of the community. On the second Sunday, October 13, the SOWERS will begin work in the visitation of prospects located on the previous week. On the afternoon of October 20, the SEED, The Word of God, will be distributed in the form of gospel literature and tracts. Materials publicizing the Harvest Time Rally will also be given out. The last Sunday, October 27, will be a time of HARVEST with the salvation of men, women, boys and girls of greatest importance in the combined Sunday School and church service, called the Harvest Time Rally.

HERE AND THERE

About Our District

CANBY — The assembly enjoyed a very special day, Tuesday, June 18, when the new church building was dedicated. Present were visitors from churches in Shasta, Lassen, and Modoc counties. In the afternoon service, Rev. Wm. C. Ross, pastor of the Dunsmuir Assembly of God was the speaker. In the evening, Rev. R. A. Wilson Sr., Assistant District Superintendent, brought the message. The hearty good wishes and prayers of all of us are directed to Pastor Harold C. Casper and his people on the occasion of this commendable advance.

CARMICHAEL — The new pastor is District Director of Christian Education, Lionel W. Suter. He succeeds Virgil E. Christian.

GRASS VALLEY — In recent weeks the C.A. graduates have been in the spotlight. Junior and Senior High C.A.'s were honored both in an informal gathering in the parsonage, and also in a formal banquet at Bret Harte Inn. Grass Valley has been making a special effort to assist Pastor Pike Robinson and his people in the pioneer work at Linda. The Grass Valley pastor is Douglas M. Fairington.

GUERNEVILLE — The evangelistic and missionary meetings with Roy Whitt proved distinctly profitable and a blessing to the assembly. The pastor is George W. Hunter.

Also from Guerneville comes a report of a Fellowship Meeting. "The Guerneville Full Gospel Assembly was host to the June North Bay Sectional Fellowship Meeting. The afternoon rally was an open discussion of the theme: 'What the Church has following the Day of Pentecost.' Each one was given the opportunity to speak as the Spirit led. The Armstrong Redwood Grove was the scene of a picnic lunch in the late afternoon. During the evening, there were movies of the progress of the construction of the Church Extension Fellowship Church at Northland. Evangelist N. D. Rayburn, Henrietta, Oklahoma, inspired the evening congregation with a message on Isaiah's vision of the Lord: 'Woe, Lo, Go.'" Report submitted by Pastor Hunter.

HAPPY CAMP — "We have just completed 4 weeks of revival with Evangelist Helen M. Loucks. She preached under a wonderful anointing of the Holy Spirit and we had a very prosperous revival. Her heart searching and challenging messages brought strong conviction to many. There were 28 saved, two-thirds of them being young people. Christians were built up greatly in the faith and their hearts stirred. Two were filled with the Spirit and 6 were refilled. Three who were practicing witchcraft were delivered and saved, evil spirits were cast out, a woman who was totally blind received instant sight, and one who was deaf received her hearing. Many others testified to healing miracles. The pastor is Rev. E. M. Clark.

HAYFORK — Rev. W. A. Frazier recently conducted a revival of two week's dura-

tion. His forceful sermons were a blessing to all. The pastor is Avery D. Dooley.

KELSEYVILLE — Pastor Leonard Miller reports: "We recently had a wonderful two-week revival meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Richard Jeffers of Vallejo. There were 4 saved, and 12 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Several were healed in a real old-fashioned Holy Ghost meeting."

LAKEPORT — Lake-Mendocino Presbyterian J. R. Edgar reports the June Fellowship Meeting: "We held our Fellowship Meeting at Lakeport, where Brother S. S. Webster is the pastor. They rented one of the fairground buildings for our fellowship meeting and dinner. Sister F. T. Alford of Fort Bragg brought a wonderful message in the afternoon service. God blessed richly. At our dinner meeting we were privileged to have fellowship with brethren from the Full Gospel Business Men's group. Brother L. R. Anderson, Pastor at Santa Rosa, brought the evening message entitled: "Going a little farther." It was timely and God blessed. He also spoke on C.E.F. and the Northland Church.

LOS CATOS — The May Fellowship Meeting for the Peninsula Section featured a conference with Mr. Skowbo, representative of Minister's Life in the afternoon, and the ministry of Rev. Mary Jo Martendale in the evening. The meeting was in the Gospel Lighthouse which A. Harold Persing pastors. The Peninsula presbyter is C. E. Curtright.

LOWER LAKE — The new pastor is Rev. Gordon Hadley.

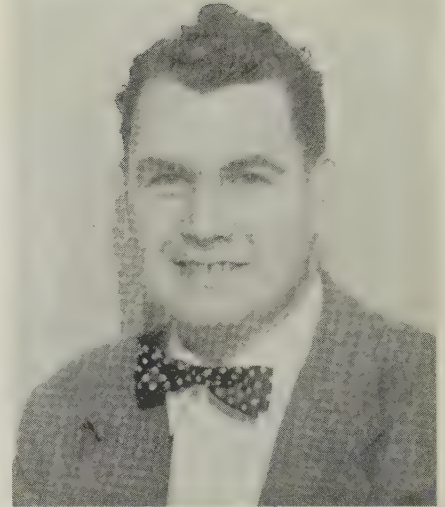
MONTEREY — The Monterey Bible Church has become an affiliated church of our District and has changed its name to First Assembly of God. C. Franklyn Murray is the pastor.

OAKLAND (Calvary Temple) — The assembly recently bade farewell to Assistant Pastor Ardon Schmidt. June 30 was scheduled as welcome Sunday for Brother Schmidt's successors, Rev. and Mrs. Everett Wilson. The pastor is Oliver L. Foth.

PACIFIC GROVE — This church, pastored by Rev. Leonard Weston, was host to the May Fellowship Meeting of the Coast Counties Section. Afternoon speaker was Mrs. Leonard Palmer. The evening speaker was Joe Wright, pastor of the Alisal Assembly. Raymond P. Murray is the presbyter.

SACRAMENTO (Bethel) — A very special day was June 16, when some 12 high school and college graduates were particularly honored. Included in the group was: Leroy Lebeck, Mila Rae Romack, Jerri Simms, Mary Jo Grimes, Robert Bailey, Joan Smith, Curt Casey, Rosemary Ner, Gerald Turner, Donna Bryant, Phil Santens, and Margo Swenson. A revival with Evangelist Arthur Arnold proved a blessing to all. The pastors are Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Henson.

A new staff member at Bethel is Miss Hazel Crabtree. She is to assist in both the musical and educational departments.



Evangelist H. J. Hays has been ministering in our District in recent months and he has proved to be of inestimable blessing wherever he has gone. Since the new year, his meetings among us have included: Rio Dell, El Centro, San Jose, and South San Francisco. In this time also, he has ministered in: Garland, Texas; Irving, Texas; and Ardmore, Oklahoma. His future itinerary calls for meetings in: Tulsa, Oklahoma; Rome, Georgia; Dallas, Texas; Tacoma, Washington; and Yuma and Phoenix, Arizona. In Brother Hays' past 4 revivals, some 60 received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Pastor Carl E. Curtwright of South San Francisco reported Brother Hays' meeting as follows: "Evangelist H. J. Hays was with us for 3 weeks and 4 days in one of the greatest revivals in the history of our church. Fifteen were saved, and 16 received the Holy Spirit in the good old-fashioned way. The whole church was revived, sick people were healed, the church was blessed financially, spiritually, and in every way. We have taken 15 new members into the church of late, 7 of them since the revival. Our Sunday school is increasing in numbers, new people are coming into the church, and God continues to pour out His Spirit."

Sister Crabtree was formerly the pianist on Revivaltime and she has travelled as musician in an evangelistic team. We sincerely welcome Sister Crabtree to our District and trust that she shall be a blessing to all of us as well as to Bethel Temple.

SAN BRUNO — The new pastor of this assembly is Rev. A. I. Haun. He comes to our District from the South Pasadena Assembly of God and at one time was District Superintendent of the Wyoming District and also a General Presbyter. The Hauns have two sons, Zane (age 15) and Gene (age 11).



Two views of the new Assembly of God of Williams, California. Dedication services for the new building were held May 12. Participants in the dedication services are shown in the lower picture (l. to r.): Leonard Palmer, District Superintendent; Ann Wedgeworth; Pastor Wm. Wedgeworth; and Floyd Thomas, Presbyter.

The church is approximately 24x36 in size and is of frame and stucco construction. The cross in glass brick in the rear wall is an appealing architectural feature. Interior finish is plaster and acoustical tile. The church was made possible through the sacrificial work of Pastor Wedgeworth and several nearby pastors and friends. Also, the generous contributions of the churches at Biggs and Linda in their "Big Brother" plan provided essential finances.

SAN JOSE (Calvary Temple) — The 1957 Missionary Convention saw splendid crowds and a most gratifying enthusiasm. Participating missionaries included: the Arthur Lindvalls, the Walter Haydus, and Mrs. Alfred Cawston. Evangelist Bob Williams also participated and donated a lovely oil painting to the Fred Zeissler family who brought the most visitors to the Sunday afternoon meeting. The total missionary offering during the convention amounted to \$6,250.00. The pastor is T. Kermit Jeffrey.

SANTA ROSA — The very successful Vacation Bible School has just closed with a fine enrollment and an excellent program. The second annual missionary convention featured missionaries: Brother and Sister Paul Cooper, Brother and Sister Ward Woods, and Sister Eileen Edwards. The people of the assembly were stirred to a new level of missionary interest and enthusiasm, and a total of \$2,800 was pledged.

Previous revival meetings with Evangelist and Mrs. Gene Riggs of Oklahoma City also proved a real blessing. Sister L. R. Anderson wrote at that time: "We are enjoying their ministry very much. They are capable musicians and singers, and he is an old-fashioned Gospel preacher. A few have been saved and filled with the Holy Spirit." L. R. Anderson is the pastor.

SOQUEL — The June Coast Counties Fellowship Meeting was held in this assembly which is pastored by Reuben Davis. The afternoon speaker was James E. Wilson; the evening speaker was Sherman Cox. Raymond P. Murray is the presbyter.

TRACY (First) — J. Kirk Soper has left the pastorate of this assembly and has been succeeded by Eugene Z. Lawrence.

WEAVERVILLE — Charles and Carol Christian write of blessings and victory in this assembly and optimistically report their outlook for the future. The area promises to grow impressively with the influx of workers for the new dam and tunnel project.

WINTERS — Pastor Harold Treadway and his people are now enjoying their new church which was recently dedicated in special services.

At Our National Office

BENEVOLENCE—"On Sunday, May 26, when the cover of the *Evangel* called for action in behalf of aged ministers, our Sunday School, by unanimous consent of the 34 present, decided to give our offering which usually goes to the building fund to help out. Please find \$10.00 enclosed. Our building fund did not suffer at all. Our people turned in over \$29.00 designated 'building fund.' Our usual offering each week is about \$10.00 for the building. The

Lord tripled the gift we gave away." This letter, received by the Department, speaks for itself. Churches neglecting the May 26 appeal are invited to respond at their earliest convenience.

CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS — The C. A. GOAL program is proving a real success. The official questionnaires 'Goal checks' have been received from 40 districts. Of the 1,502 C.A. groups reported, 5 attained a perfect score of 100 points. The over-all national average score was 52.

The C.A.'s yearly tract distribution campaign, TRACT emphasis is scheduled for September 8 to 29.

EVANGELISM — A seminar open to all evangelists is planned for Cleveland, Ohio, just prior to the General Council. Dates are August 27 and 28. Further information may be obtained by writing: Evangelism Department, 434 W. Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

GENERAL COUNCIL — A letter from the office of J. Rowell Flower states: "All clergy bureaus outside the eastern territory will sell round-trip clergy tickets to Cleveland, Ohio provided the minister holds a clergy book issued by the bureau in his territory. The tickets will be available from your local agent August 23-31, inclusive, 1957, with final return limit of thirty days in addition to the date of sale. Consideration is also given to those desiring round-trip diverse routes." Housing accommodations for General Council should be made through: Howard R. Davidson, 18408 Hiller Avenue, Cleveland 19, Ohio. Mr. Davidson's office is able to supply more information upon request.

RADIO — The Mother's Day prayer meeting resulted in approximately 10,000 joining in prayer for some 6,000 individual prayer requests.

The Department is preparing a vacation



At the suggestion of District Missionary Secretary, R. A. Wilson Sr., the editor recently enjoyed a pleasant few minutes visiting with Rev. and Mrs. Clifton Brown who are pictured above. The Brown's story is something like this: About two and a half years ago they were called to the pastorate of the Fairmead Assembly of God. When they arrived the church was struggling financially

and burdened with a heavy debt. In their effort to meet their own obligations, the people had discontinued missionary giving and avoided any responsibilities beyond their own church. The Browns proceeded, in spite of the circumstances, to encourage a missionary interest, including the giving of offerings for missions and the ministry of visiting missionaries. A WMC was organized and the support of a child in the Hot Springs Children's Home undertaken. A regular Home Missions offering was received. The outcome was: the church got out of debt, the people raised the pastor's salary, the church building was repaired, redecorated, and new seats installed, the membership increased from 22 to 77, money was accumulated in the treasury, and there was a renewed spiritual interest and dedication. Though the Browns have left Fairmead now, they stand convinced that a missionary vision is a vital key to unlock heaven's blessings upon a struggling assembly.

devotional booklet with devotional themes, travelling charts, and helps to witnessing. Information on the booklet can be obtained from Revivaltime, P.O. Box 70, Springfield, Missouri.

SUNDAY SCHOOL — E. R. Hertweck, publicity supervisor for the Department, has accepted a call to be associate pastor of the First Assembly of God of El Centro, California.

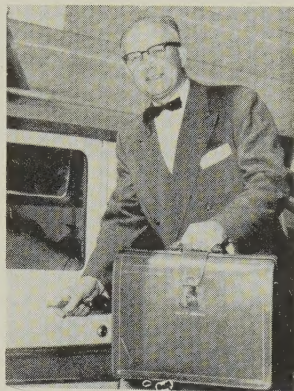
On Our Overseas Front

ARGENTINA (Buenos Aires) — Ruth Couchman and Miss Blossom send their greetings from the beautiful city of Buenos Aires, where they returned on May 25th (after a 33 day trip by boat from New Orleans) to resume their work in the Bible Institute. The majority of their students this year are a spiritual and very keen group from the Rosario section, which is a Russian community. She writes: "The attendance this year had to be limited to some 40 students because of the very small building . . . we are desperately in need of a building large enough to take care of 125 to 150 students . . . We trust that friends at home will respond to this need." She tells of God's blessings as the Spirit of God is at last beginning to move in Argentina and concludes: ". . . now is the time to thrust in the sickle and reap!"

FIJI — An encouraging letter from our South Sea missionaries tells the story of their recent services. The Heetebrys conducted several services on Easter morning, beginning with a 5:00 o'clock Communion service where a Tongan lady was saved. At 10:00 o'clock a second Communion service was held with one of the national workers ministering. Seven converts were baptized and five children were dedicated to the Lord at this service. Special evangelistic meetings are to begin the third weekend in June for which the Heetebrys have asked our prayers. They add: "Fiji needs a revival and we expect it to commence in the hearts of the believers." Enclosed in the letter was a Fijian tract they had just run off their own press, which thrilled their hearts. The letter concluded with words of appreciation to the churches and individuals in the homeland who have given them faithful, monthly support and encouraging letters assuring them of prayer offered in the behalf of the work in Fiji.

LIBERIA (Owensgrove) — A recent letter from our missionaries, Bob and Olga Renfro, informs us that they formally opened the Assemblies of God Bible Institute at Owensgrove, Liberia, on May 5th with more than 250 people attending. Twenty-two students, many of which are already pastors and evangelists, have enrolled. "All of them are willing for whatever sacrifice is necessary to enable them to study the Word of God." The Renfroes and the students send their heartfelt thanks for the generous offerings of churches and individuals which have

A Three-Minute Chat with our District C.E.P. Representative



E. Wm. Anderson

GOING PLACES!

I find in my travels of pastors and churches who are "going places"! This, however, requires Faith and Works on their part. With this VISION Church Extension is set up to assist in financing and refinancing of Churches, Parsonages, Educational Units and Christian Day School Projects.

The basic reason for the existence of Church Extension Plan is to furnish security to the church that needs to borrow money. It was organized for the purpose of building a strong credit position and to become an intermediate agency to help our churches borrow funds to meet their building needs.

made it possible to finish the Bible School building. The letter continues: "Now may we lay another need before you? We desperately need a dormitory building, and have had to crowd four or five families in our workshop building. . . We will need \$2500 to build a dormitory that will house ten families. Any offering large or small will be most welcome and useful and should be sent to our Foreign Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo., designated "School Dormitory" c/o R. J. Renfro." They have seen many souls come to the Lord since their last letter to us, and have seen almost 150 people baptized in water. Let us pray with them for a real outpouring of the Spirit on these new converts and upon the Bible School.

PHILIPPINES — "Victory is ours!" write the Mel Stewards as they tell in their letter how God supplied their need for a permanent church home for their very large congregation in Iloilo City. The new building has over 1,000 seats which were filled the first Sunday in the new church. "Since we moved, attendance has more than doubled." Evangelist Harold Herman just concluded a three weeks outdoor campaign with them in the park right in front of the new church. Over 2,300 signed decision cards during the meetings — many miracles took place — thousands attended.

CEP APPROACH

Approaching bankers for loans is not new and many methods have been devised, most of which do not include a well worked out method of repayment. Church Extension Plan, through its subscription program, has met this need in a manner that appeals to the lending institution.

Within the CEP program is imbedded that assurance of repayment which the lending institutions require and appreciate. Quite often a banker will say, "This is the first time we have been approached for a church loan that offered a sound repayment plan." While banks will accept mortgages on other types of property, taking repayment as a matter of course, a mortgage on a church property is not acceptable without this additional assurance of repayment. Church Extension Plan furnishes this assurance.

FINANCIAL PROBLEMS!

The local church faces the problems of finance when it approaches a building program, so CHURCH EXTENSION PLAN steps in to meet the requirements of bankers, builders, and the congregation.

As CEP Representative I am happy to minister to you in this capacity. Letters may be addressed to me at the District Office (P.O. Box 961, Santa Cruz) or to my home residence: 718 Laurent Street, Santa Cruz. The home phone is GA 3-1325.

Personal Mention

Recent guests in our District were Chaplain JACK and EUNICE CAR-MICHAEL from Fort Bragg, North Carolina. While with us, they had dedicated their daughter, Ann Marie at Calvary Temple, San Jose. Little Ann is due soon to celebrate her first birthday.

A note from MRS. CLIFTON BROWN declares that she: "wishes to thank every one for their prayers and thoughtfulness during her recent illness." The Browns formerly were pastors at Fairmead. With Sister Brown's recovery they are now open for evangelistic or pastoral calls.

A news release from THE 1957 EVANGELIZERS declares that this team of 5 talented young people is likely to be touring our District before long. The group is led by Wayne Fagerstrom of Florence, Oregon. Anyone interested in contacting the group may write to their headquarters at 620 W. Kerr Street, Springfield, Missouri.

Friends of L. AUSTIN SHELTON
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will be interested to know that Brother Shelton has resigned his church in Oregon and is once more on the evangelistic field. He may be contacted c/o Bethel Gospel Park, Brooks, Oregon.

KENNETH and MELBA ROPER write from Covelo that they are leaving their church and will be entering the evangelistic field beginning this summer.



Rev. Jack Epperson, Director of Men's Fellowship in the Southern California District, is currently visiting our District in the interests of Men's Fellowship as requested by some of our churches. Brother Epperson is seeking to be as helpful as possible to any of our groups who desires his ministry. He is prepared to present a one-evening service for those who wish to know the possibilities of a well-organized Men's Fellowship. For those who desire, he will present a two-evening service, and at the second service actually organize a Men's Fellowship in that church. For either of these services he asks that not only the men, but the women and children be present; for his two-evening plan he suggests that the second evening be a pot-luck supper for the whole family. While he is with us, of course, Brother Epperson will be glad to speak at any Men's Fellowship meetings in groups already organized. Churches that desire Brother Epperson's ministry should contact him as soon as possible while he is still preparing his itinerary. His home address: P.O. Box 415, Van Nuys, California, Phone STate 0-0829.

WITH THE LORD

Licensed minister Antone Leal received God's call to higher service, Thursday, June 6. Brother Leal was at one time State Secretary for the Portuguese Assemblies of God in California. Prayers and sincere sympathy is extended to the family.

Man's Power and God's

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The Word of God must have entry into my heart, and yours. The power of the Word of God brings Salvation, brings Healing, brings a Spirit-filled life, brings Victory over sin and at the end of my days brings me an entrance into Heaven.

One little word of your heavenly Father is bursting with energy — and ten thousand words of a man fall to the ground and accomplish nothing. Our Bible is clear to overflowing with the promises of our heavenly Father. Do we receive them? Do we put to use the spiritual atomic energy of the Word of God in our lives? Or do we live in the "Stone-Age" of faith, where we wearily cut our way through life with the Stone-Axe of our human strength? It depends completely on you, whether or not you will have the power of the Word of God in your life. Don't forget, it costs nothing; it is free to each individual. Show me a man who reads his Bible and applies the power of God in his life and I will show you one that "springs over the walls with his God", who is full of the dynamite of heaven, shaken full of the heavenly power, which soon manifests itself in the life of an individual.

You can be an overcomer, a victor in your daily life. You can become a giant with God, or remain an old runty dwarf in your faith-life. It is not God's fault, if we wend our way through a sin-driven world as spiritual weaklings and cowards. It is our fault, if we do not apply the atomic energy of the Word of God.

And that is not all. God will one day call us to account; and one ques-

SECRETARY'S REPORT

May, 1957

MINISTERS —

Total at first of year	985
Total at first of month	989
Total at end of month	994

Transferred Out —

Claude O. Wood — Ord., to S. Calif.
Gladness Wood — Ord., to S. Calif.

New Credentials —

James F. Whertley — Lic.
John W. Pettigew — Lic.
Jack R. Evans — Lic.
Robert E. Harrison — Lic.
Dwight Burchett — Lic.
Paul T. Bell — Lic.
Gene Decker — Lic.
Gerald Dolan — C. W.
Harvey Rainwater — C. W.

CHURCHES —

Total at first of year	321
Total at first of month	320
Total at end of month	320

Change of Status —

Pacific Grove (First A. of G.)—Assoc. to Affil.

tion will echo in Eternity — and this echo will be heard even in the most remote places of the universe: "What have you done with MY WORD which I have sent down to you? Have you daily read and applied it? Or have you heeded rather the words of men?"

Watch Your Pocketbook

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our missionary giving. Is it backed by our movement? Has it been fully sanctioned by the District Office? Is it channeled through God's "storehouse"?

In these final, crucial hours of time just before the beginning of eternity, let us back our movement with all of our finances, prayers and energy. Let us be faithful to God and to his commands.

Let us watch our pocketbooks. Let us perform all our giving in a scriptural manner!

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WOMEN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL



From Paul and Eileen Cooper **OUR MESSAGE TO THE WMC**

It is so good to be home again, after being in Honduras for three years and one year in Costa Rica studying Spanish. We had not seen our son Marc for two years, and had not seen Joyce since last August when she came home to start High School, so we were glad to find them happy and doing well in school. It has taken a little while for us to shift gears so that we could talk English instead of Spanish and so that we could travel at this speed instead of what we were accustomed to — 30 mph by Jeep or slower by mule.

How good the Lord is to us. As we look back over these four years, we are able to testify to the faithfulness of God to us. We have been in danger at times, like the time when the mule washed out from under me when I was crossing a flooded and swift river, and the time when Marc was swept downstream in a swift river. But the Lord brought us through! We are indeed thankful for His care over us. While we count blessings, we do not want to forget the part you dear ones of the Women's Missionary Councils have played in our work. We know God has heard and answered your prayers for us many times. In a very real sense, we are laborers together with God. We wish we had words to thank you for the lovely boxes you sent us, too. It seemed that every time we needed clothes, some W.M.C. group would write and ask, "What do you need?" And we could answer and say, "Stevie needs socks or school pants," or whatever it was at that time. Then the box would come, with the clothing that we couldn't possibly buy in Honduras because it was too expensive. And the same was true with groceries. We are grateful to you, with all our hearts.

My work in Honduras was to serve as Superintendent. I travelled over the Field, visited the churches, each with its own pastor, and there are 60 places where regular services are held. That means that each church goes out into a nearby community and holds Sunday School and services, besides

those in their own town. There are almost 40 licensed preachers and about 31 lay preachers. We have our own Institute for the training of young people who are our future preachers and Sunday School teachers. This part of the work is so rewarding, as we see the spiritual progress the students make as they hunger and thirst after more of God. They are all poor. Usually they have only one change of clothing, and they eat fried beans and rice and tortillas three times a day. But the important thing is, they want to serve the Lord and be used of Him. Please pray for them. Pray that this next term, which starts in August, will be the best, that the Holy Spirit will be poured out upon students and teachers alike.

The burden of our hearts is for an Evangelistic Center in San Pedro Sula, on the heavily populated North Coast. This city is the second city of the Republic in population (70,000) and first in economic importance. We have a church organized there, but have no building sufficient for the crowds and Sunday School. Our

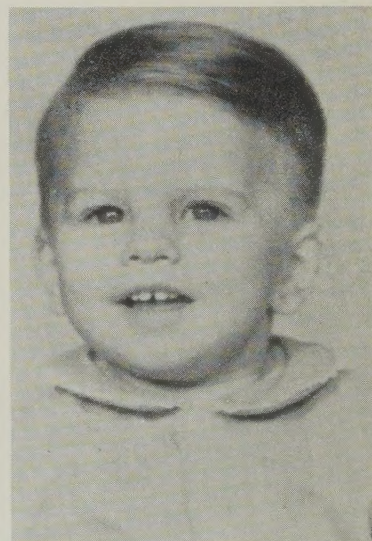


Sister Ruth Garlock poses happily with one of their Bible School babies. The parents of the infant are both attending Bible School in Dedza, Nyasaland. The school is of a short term nature, but it serves to give opportunity to convey to the natives essential truths concerning the Scriptures and the Gospel ministry.

hands are tied, the Word can't advance there, until we have the building we desperately need. Will you pray with us that the Lord will make this possible? Already the small church there is reaching out, holding Sunday Schools in 5 different outstations on Sunday afternoon and holding services in 2 other parts of the town during the week. And the work will continue spreading, the Lord helping us.

Perhaps we may borrow the word of the Psalmist from Psa. 127:1 as he says, "*Unless the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.*" He was not talking of missionary work, but the same thought applies to that. All of us — those who go, those who sacrifice to support missions, those who dedicate time to pray and intercede and those who give time to use their needles to sew for the comfort of their missionaries — all of us would be wasting our time and effort did the Lord not work with us. **BUT HE DOES! HALLELUJAH!** And we consider ourselves fortunate and blessed to be part of the BIG PROGRAM of God, in taking the Gospel to needy souls. Continue praying for us, please.

Paul and Eileen Cooper are our District representatives to Honduras, Central America. Currently they are on furlough and many of our people have been privileged to meet them.



This is little Mark Jonathan Lemos whose parents are missionaries in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil. The Lemos family sailed with Ruth Couchman and Pansy Blossom who recently departed for Argentina. Friends of the Lemos who wish to keep in touch with the family may address them: Rev. John Lemos, Caixa Postal 19, Penhadj, Rio De Janeiro, Brazil.

CURRENT SIGNS

Smoking and Cancer

The final figures of the research of the American Cancer Society revealed that men who smoke cigarets are 10 times more likely to die of lung cancer than non-smokers.

Catholics in U. S. Total 34,563,851

The official Catholic directory yesterday reported a total of 34,563,851 Roman Catholics in the United States, Alaska and Hawaii. This is an increase of 989,834 over last year.

The directory also reported an increase of 9,295,678 Catholics during the last 10 years, with conversions totalling 1,252,854.

What Next in the Apostasy?

How far can professing "Christians" go in departing from the Living God? We read in a new report that:

(Chicago)—The Rockefeller Foundation has granted \$140,000 to the Missions Research Center of the University of Chicago for a program of "inter-religious studies." The University hopes to bring three Buddhists experts to Chicago, under the grant, to teach Buddhism to the students.

Think of it! American money is actually going to finance a Moslem mission to this country. We are going to have Buddhist priests teach our young people Buddhism — and foot the bill ourselves!

National Debt: Now takes \$1,613 for Every American

Those monthly bills getting you down? Figure you'll never get out of debt? If so, you're in fine company. Uncle Sam has never been out of debt a day in his life. What's more, he probably never will be.

Way back in December 1834 the national debt was a piddling \$35,513, less than one-fifth of a cent for every man, woman and child in the country.

Today the debt approaches \$273,500,000,000, a bit more than \$1,600 for each inhabitant of these United States.

Today the debt is about 79 per cent of the national income, with at least part of the post-war decline due to inflation.

Population of World Grows 5,000 per Hour

World population is increasing at the rate of 83 persons a minute, or about 5,000 an hour and at the present rate will double by the end of this century. This was disclosed today in the United Nations Demographic Year book for 1956.

The yearbook estimated world population now at 2,777,000,000 persons. It said the population increases by about 43,000,000 persons a year.

Warren Urges Cultural Gain Equal to Scientific Conquest

"All the materialism of science means little," said United States Chief Justice Earl Warren, "if man cannot live at peace with his fellow man."

He directed his advice to 1,255 University of Notre Dame graduates at commencement exercises.

He cited the political and individual liberty of America as the most valuable heritage of today's youth.

"Political liberty is yours by straight inheritance," he said, "But individual liberty is a way of life — it is not automatic. Every generation must re-earn and rewin its freedom."

Group Quits Catholic Church

A priest and some 40 members of the Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Severin, Paris, left the Church of Rome last October. It is stated that those involved were members of the "Spiritual Research Teams" and they took this step only after prolonged reflection and study of the Scriptures. If Catholics really studied their Bibles, more would find real spiritual help and guidance.

Alcohol the Killer

Alcoholism is now outranked only by heart disease and cancer as the nation's leading killer.

Interesting Scientific Prediction

The sun is doomed, 6,000,000,000 years from now. It has just passed the half-way mark and will shine on steadily for another 6,000,000,000 years and then flare up and burn everything on the earth to a crisp, according to prediction by Allen R. Sandage, astronomer at the Mount Wilson and Palomar observatories.

A star of our sun's type, he says, remains stable from the time it is formed until about 12 per cent of its hydrogen is converted to helium by thermonuclear reactions. He calculates that our sun is half way through this period of equilibrium.

When 12 per cent of the sun's hydrogen is gone, it will abruptly heat up and swell to about 3 times its present diameter. It will begin to burn its remaining hydrogen faster and in a few hundred million years the earth's temperature will rise to 1,500 degrees — well above the boiling point of lead.

After the sun has consumed its hydrogen, it will shrink to a white dwarf. (From the Scientific American).



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